

## **Exhibit A**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bordoni V. et al.

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Title: "Conditioned Cell Culture medium, Method to Obtain the Same and Use of it for Maintenance, Proliferation and Differentiation of mammalian cells

DECLARATION

I declare:

1. I am an inventor of the subject matter that is described and claimed in the above captioned patent Application.

2. I declare that the Biologic Material described in the patent Application N° 10/568,194 (cell line MMH 5/2: c-Met Murine Hepatocyte, clone 5/2) has been deposited under the Budapest Treaty at the "Centro di Biotecnologie Avanzate - Interlab Cell Line Collection" (CBA-ICLC, address: L.go Rosanna Benzi, 10 – 16132 Genoa – Italy) with N° PD09003, on the date of: November 18, 2009 and that it will be irrevocably and without restriction or condition released to the public upon issuance of a patent.

Details of such a material isolated from c-Met transgenic mice have been described in Amicone et al. The EMBO Journal, 1997; 16: 495-503.

3. Furthermore, I declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further these statements were made with the knowledge that wilful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and

that such wilful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patents issued thereon.

Date: 30/11/09

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